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CAMÉLÉONS

Elliot's Chameleon

Trioceros ellioti

Trioceros ellioti is a small, live-bearing chameleon from montane forest, scrub and savanna in central and eastern Africa. Colours vary widely between populations: males often show blue and yellow tones, females are brown, grey or green, and both have a pale stripe along the flank. The species needs a cool enclosure with a clear night-time drop, high night humidity and solitary housing.

Famille: Chamaeleonidae Ancien nom: *Chamaeleo ellioti; Chamaeleo bequaerti*

INFORMATIONS ESSENTIELLES

L'ANIMAL

Taille adulte	**15-22 cm** longueur totale queue comprise
Espérance de vie	**2-4 ans**
Activité	**Le jour**
Mode de vie	**Arboricole**
Habitat	**Savane et forêt de montagne**
Difficulté	**Expérimenté**

ENTRETIEN

Terrarium min.	**45 × 45 × 90 cm** L × l × H pour 1 adulte
Température, jour	**20-24 °C**
Zone de bain de soleil	**27-30 °C**
Température, nuit	**10-15 °C**
Hygrométrie	**30-100 %**
UVB	**Indispensables** Zone de Ferguson 3
Alimentation	**Insectes**
Détention	**Seul**

REPRODUCTION

Reproduction	**Vivipare**
Maturité sexuelle	**6-9 mois**
Taille de la portée	**2-18 petits**
Pontes par an	**1-4**
Gestation	**90-160 jours**

PROTECTION ET FORMALITÉS

CITES	**Annexe II**
Annexe UE	**Annexe B**
UICN	**Préoccupation mineure (LC)**

L'entretien en bref

LE TERRARIUM	A single adult needs an enclosure of at least 45 × 45 × 90 cm (length × width × height).
TEMPÉRATURE	By day the temperature should be 20-24 °C, preferably with a basking spot of 27-30 °C. The daytime temperature in the rest of the enclosure must not stay above 29 °C for long.
HYGROMÉTRIE ET EAU	Night is the humid time: 75-100 % at night, while humidity falls to 30-50 % by day.
ÉCLAIRAGE ET UVB	The species is diurnal and needs strong light. Four T5 HO tubes of 6500 K across the width of the enclosure light a 120 cm tall enclosure well.
ALIMENTATION	*T. ellioti* is insectivorous and takes the usual feeder insects: crickets, grasshoppers, flies, cockroaches and silkworms. Flying insects are a favourite.
COMPORTEMENT ET MANIPULATION	The species is kept singly. It is milder than many chameleons, but reacts suddenly and violently when two animals meet, and can seriously injure an animal in the same enclosure.
AIRE D'ORIGINE	Ouganda, Rwanda, Burundi, Congo-Kinshasa, Kenya, Soudan du Sud et Tanzanie.